

MINUTES DRAFT

Metro Management Council

Wednesday, April 27th, 2022

3:30 PM – 4:36 PM

County Admin Building

415 N Dakota Ave

Members Present: Mayor Paul TenHaken (via phone), Commissioner Dean Karsky (acting as Chair), and Council Member Rick Kiley

Attendees: Aimee Chase, Puja Data, Drew DeGroot, LeNora Giles, Joe Kippley, Matt McAreavey, Scott McMahan, Carol Muller, Ona Reker, Elizabeth Schriener, Matt Tooley, Jon Thum, Monte Watembach

1. Determination of Quorum and Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Karsky acknowledged the presence of a quorum and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion to approve the agenda as presented made by Council Member Kiley, seconded by Mayor TenHaken. 3 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

2. Public Input

Lenora Giles, ASFCME Local 3516 Union President, thanked the Metro Management Council and members of Metro Management for all of their hard work in regards to the COLA request put forward by the union requested additional consideration for their proposal during executive session.

3. Approval of Minutes dated March 30, 2022

Motion made by Council Member Kiley, seconded by Mayor TenHaken, to approve the minutes dated March 30, 2022, as presented. 3 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

4. State Radio Expansion Project

The SD State Radio network is an important resource for effective public safety response across Minnehaha County, the city of Sioux Falls, and across the entire state. Over the past year, Metro Communications has helped facilitate talks about ways to improve communications both locally and across the state, specifically in regard to portable radios.

The current simulcast system in Sioux Falls includes three towers tied together. Due to expansion of the City of Sioux Falls in all directions, a need has been identified to expand the current simulcast system to include additional tower sites to provide better coverage for responders. Part of these discussions also include consideration for the addition of a simulcast system in rural Minnehaha County. This project will involve the cooperation of the City of Sioux Falls, Minnehaha County, Lincoln County and the State of South Dakota.

Director McMahon and Technology Coordinator shared with the Council a plan to combine both projects into one and stressed the funding for these projects while projected to be approximately \$6M - \$8M would not be funded through Metro.

The earliest timeline for completion on both projects would be fourth quarter of 2023. This timeline allows for the upgrade of existing radios to P25 compliance in early 2023 which much be completed first.

This item remains information at this time with no further action needed. Director McMahon will continue to keep the Council updated as additional project details become available including the location of tower sites, commitments from partner agencies and possible funding sources.

5. Presentation of Financial Statements as of March 31, 2022

Business Manger Ona Reker presented an overview of financial statements as of March 31st, 2022. Commissioner Karsky expressed no surprises in this report and Metro was operating as intended.

Motion to approve the Financial Statements for the 3 months ending March 31, 2022, as presented made by Council Member Kiley, seconded by Mayor TenHaken. 3 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

6. Request for Approval of 2023 Budget

Director McMahon requested approval of the 2023 budget as presented on March 30th, 2022. Director McMahon stated the 2023 budget request is similar to the previous year with no major projects. However, reminded the Council future projects such as the expansion of adding an additional Law Enforcement and an additional Fire Console would be upcoming in future years. The proposed budget does not include a request for future FTEs in 2023 and reflects a decrease in City/County support from 15% in 2022 to 8% in 2023.

Mayor TenHaken reminded the group the Metro Management Council will have two new City Council Members at the next meeting. He expressed comfort approving the budget today as presented but recognized there will be a need to educate the new members.

Council Members Kiley and Erickson were recognized for their service. Director McMahon expressed their time on the Metro Management Council put Metro in a position to continue to provide great support to the city of Sioux Falls and Minnehaha County.

Motion to approve the 2023 budget as presented made by Council Member Kiley, seconded by Mayor TenHaken. Roll Call vote completed with 3 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

7. Executive Session for the purposes of and as authorized by SDCL § 1-25-2 (1), (3), and (4)

Commissioner Karsky proposed a ten-minute recess at 4:04pm. The Council returned from recess at 4:12pm.

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Motion by Council Member Kiley, seconded by Mayor TenHaken to move into executive session for purposes of as authorized by SDCL § 1-25-2 (1), (3), and (4). 3 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

The Council entered into the Executive session at 4:12pm. Commissioner Karsky returned the Council to Open meeting at 4:35pm.

8. Adjournment

Motion made by Council Member Kiley, seconded by Mayor TenHaken to adjourn the meeting at 4:36pm. 3 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried